

Fleischaker, a First Amendment attorney who represents *The Courier Journal*.

"She's direct," he said. "She goes right to the heart of it, and she wouldn't take no for an answer."

Fleischaker represented *The Courier Journal* in the early 2000s when the paper, along with the *Lexington Herald-Leader*, battled the Catholic Diocese of Lexington over its coverup of clergy child abuse. The diocese tried—and failed—to hold *The Courier Journal* in contempt for publishing Yetter's story on the coverup.

Fleischaker also worked closely with Yetter during former Gov. Steve Beshear's administration, when the Cabinet for Health and Family Services sought to withhold records about severe child abuse in the state. *The Courier Journal* ultimately won its cases, with a judge ordering the cabinet to pay more than \$1 million in attorneys fees and penalties, Fleischaker said.

Yetter's reporting on the contested records exposed gruesome child fatalities, including those in the state's care.

Brooks saw Yetter's doggedness in that reporting firsthand, when one morning he watched her sprint down a government building hallway to get an interview with then-Cabinet Secretary, Janie Miller.

Miller eventually resigned.

"Kentucky's kids have had no clarion voice stronger than Debby Yetter," Brooks said. "She was as insightful as she was persistent and often was the 'canary in the coal mine,' identifying issues before they were on anyone's radar."

"The loss for Kentucky's kids is unfathomable," he added.

Schuster agreed.

"Like so many, I'm happy for her and sad for the rest of us."

Outside of work, Yetter is a longtime member of the YMCA and served for several years on a member's committee to review Y programs and services. She also has been a member of St. James Catholic Church for more than 30 years. She sings in the choir and has volunteered on parish committees and projects including one to restore the historic church and school. She also served on the St. James School committee and volunteered at the school when her children were enrolled, including working in the lunch room one day a week.

Yetter said she is looking forward to visiting her three children, each of whom live out of state, as well as her 1-year-old grandchild. She said she is ready for a break and to "not always be on a deadline."

"I love what I do and I think it's important," Yetter said. "There's never going to be a good time to leave."

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the *RECORD* the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such

annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the *RECORD*, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. ROBERT MENENDEZ,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 0T-22. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 20-40 of July 6, 2020.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCH,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 0T-22

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(B)(5)(A), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Government of France.  
(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 20-40; Date: July 6, 2020; Military Department: Navy.  
(iii) Description: On July 6, 2020, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 20-40, of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of three (3) E-2D Advanced Hawkeye Aircraft, ten (10) T-56-427A engines (6 installed and 4 spares), three (3) AN/APY-9 radar assemblies, four (4) AN/ALQ-217 electronic support measure systems (3 installed and 1 spare), three (3) AN/AYK-27 Integrated Navigation Channels and Display Systems, five (5) Link-16 (MIDS-JTRS) Communications Systems (3 installed and 2 spares), ten (10) Embedded GPS/INS (E(G1) Devices (6 installed and 4 spares), four (4) AN/APX-122(A) and AN/APX-123(A) Identification, Friend or Foe systems (3 installed and 1 spare) and one (1) Joint Mission Planning System. Also included were Common Systems Integration Laboratories with Test Equipment, one in Melbourne, FL, and the other in France; air and ground crew equipment; support equipment; spare and repair parts; publications and technical documentation; transportation; training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor logistics, engineering, and technical support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost was \$2 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$1.3 billion of this total.

On April 5, 2022, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 22-0E of one (1) Tactics Trainer—Weapon Systems (TT) (MDE). Also included were additional training devices, spares, and services. The addition of these items resulted in a net increase in MDE cost of \$42 million, resulting in a revised MDE cost of \$1.35 billion. The total estimated case value increased to \$2.1 billion.

This transmittal reports the inclusion of one (1) additional Multifunctional Information Distribution System Joint Tactical Radio System (MIDS-JTRS) terminal (MDE). The estimated total value of the added item is \$240,000 but will not result in a change to the previously notified MDE total of \$1.35 billion. The total estimated case value will remain \$2.1 billion.

(iv) Significance: The proposed sale will improve France's ongoing E-2D acquisition. It will directly support France's capabilities

for Electronic Warfare, air safety, NATO operations, and interoperability with U.S. forces.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a NATO ally, which is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to additional items reported here.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 5, 2022.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the *RECORD* the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the *RECORD*, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. ROBERT MENENDEZ,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 22-0V. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 09-75 of January 29, 2010.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCH,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 22-0V

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(c), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO).

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 09-75; Date: January 29, 2010; Military Department: Army.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) Description: On January 29, 2010, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 09-75, of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of 114 PATRIOT Advanced Capability (PAC-3) missiles, 3 AN/MPQ-65 Radar Sets, 1 AN/MSQ-133 Information and Coordination Centrals, 1 Tactical Command Station, 3 Communication Relay Groups, 3 AN/MSQ-132 Engagement Control

Stations, 26 M902 Launching Stations, 5 Antenna Mast Groups, 1 Electronic Power Plant III (EPP), battery and battalion maintenance equipment, prime movers, generators, electrical power units, personnel training and equipment, trailers, communication equipment, tool and test sets, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, Quality Assurance Team support services, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support service and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated total cost was \$2.81 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$1.57 billion of this total.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following MDE items: one hundred (100) PAC-3 Missile Segment Enhancement (MSE) missiles; and two (2) PAC-3 MSE test missiles. Also included are M903 Launcher modification kits; missile round trainers; and Post Deployment Build (PDB) 8.1 software upgrade. The estimated total value of these additional items is \$882 million. These additions will not result in an increase to the total estimated MDE value of \$1.57 billion. The total estimated case value will remain \$2.81 billion.

(iv) Significance: The proposed sale will enhance the recipient's PATRIOT missile system to improve its missile defense capability, defend its territorial integrity, and deter threats for regional stability.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and to maintain a credible defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

The PATRIOT Advanced Capability (PAC) 3 Missile Segment Enhanced missile is a small, highly agile, kinetic kill interceptor for defense against tactical ballistic missiles, cruise missiles and air-breathing threats. The MSE variant of the PAC-3 missile represents the next generation in hit-to-kill interceptors and provides expanded battlespace against evolving threats. The PAC-3 MSE improves upon the original PAC-3 capability with a higher performance solid rocket motor, modified lethality enhancer, more responsible control surfaces, upgraded guidance software, and insensitive munitions improvements.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 1, 2022.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such

annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. ROBERT MENENDEZ,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 22-0S. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 20-77 of October 21, 2020.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCH,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 22-0S

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO).

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 20-77; Date: October 21, 2020; Military Department: Army.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) Description: On October 21, 2020, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 20-77, of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of eleven (11) High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS) M142 Launchers; sixty-four (64) Army Tactical Missile Systems (ATACMS) M57 Unitary Missiles; seven (7) M1152A1 High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs); eleven (11) M240B Machine Guns, 7.62MM; and seventeen (17) International Field Artillery Tactical Data Systems (IFATDS). Also included were fifty-four (54) M28A2 Low Cost Reduced Range Practice Rocket Pods (LCRRPR); eleven (11) M2A1 machine guns, .50 caliber; twenty-two (22) AN/NRC-92E dual radio systems; seven (7) AN/NRC-92E dual radio ground stations; fifteen (15) AN/VRC-90E single radio systems; eleven (11) M1084A2 cargo Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles (FMTV) Resupply Vehicles (RSV); two (2) M1089A2 cargo wrecker FMTV RSV; eleven (11) M1095 trailer cargo FMTV, 5-ton; support equipment; communications equipment; spare and repair parts; test sets; laptop computers; training and training equipment; publication; systems integration support; technical data; Stockpile Reliability Program (SRP); Quality Assurance and Technical Assistance Teams; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total cost was \$436.1 million. Major Defense Equipment (MOE) constituted \$357.5 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following MOE items: an additional eighteen (18) High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems; twenty (20) Army Tactical Missile Systems Pods; eleven (11) M1152A1 High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles integrated with C2 shelter; four (4) M1152A1 HMMWVs integrated with SECM shelter; and one hundred forty-four (144) M31A2 Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS) Unitary High Explosive (HE) Pods with Insensitive Munitions Propulsion System (IMPS). Also included are additional 5-ton

M1084A2 cargo Family of Medium Tactical Vehicle (FMTV) Resupply Vehicles (RSV) without winch; 5-ton M1089A2 with winch wreckers; 5-ton M1095 trailers with resupply kits; Intercom Systems to support the HIMARS Launcher; radio/communication mounts; machine gun mounts; battle management system Vehicle Integration Kit; wheel guards; ruggedized laptops; training; training equipment; publications for HIMARS; and munitions, spares, services, and other support equipment. The estimated total value of the additional items is \$520 million. The total estimated MOE value will increase by \$430 million to \$787.5 million, resulting in an estimated total case value of \$956.1 million.

(iv) Significance: The proposed sale will improve the recipient's military goals of updating capability while further enhancing interoperability with the United States and other allies. The recipient intends to use these defense articles and services to modernize its armed forces and expand its capability to strengthen its homeland defense and deter regional threats.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and to maintain a credible defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The M31A2 GMLRS Unitary HE with IMPS is the Army's primary munition for units fielding the M142 HIMARS and M270 Multiple Launcher Rocket System (MLRS) Launchers. The GMLRS Unitary is a solid propellant artillery rocket that uses Global Positioning System/Precise Positioning Service (GPS/PPS)-aided inertial guidance to accurately and quickly deliver a single high-explosive blast fragmentation warhead to targets at ranges from 15-70 kilometers. The rockets are fired from a launch pod container that also serves as the storage and transportation container for the rockets. Each rocket pod holds six (6) total rockets.

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to remaining items reported here.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 5, 2022.

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. THOMAS ZACHARIA

Mr. HAGERTY. Mr. President, on behalf of myself and Mrs. BLACKBURN, I ask unanimous consent that the following remarks be placed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD in recognition of Dr. Thomas Zacharia, Director of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory—ORNL.

For 35 years, Dr. Zacharia has provided transformative scientific leadership that has established ORNL as one of the world's premier research institutions, fulfilling national missions in diverse fields, including advanced materials, nuclear science and engineering, neutron science, and high-performance computing.

Dr. Zacharia's vision guided the creation of the Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility and established ORNL as the Nation's leading supercomputing institute with the deployment of 10 supercomputers, including